



Southfields Academy Weekly Newsletter

Week Commencing 8th October 2018



Ethos statement: We believe that through individual commitment, self discipline, integrity and respect for others, we inspire everyone to learn.

Year 7 Enrichment Fair

On Thursday 27th September the staff, ably led by Mr Whitfield, held an Enrichment Fair for Year 7 students. As students have to make their choices of which subjects to study earlier and earlier, the purpose of the fair was to give our students a small idea of the broad range of choices available to them for their future studies.

It also demonstrated to them the huge number of after school and break time clubs and activities that they can join in with, to enrich their studies and broaden their interests.

All the Year 7s seemed very enthusiastic, enjoying the competitive edge to the PE department's stall and interacting with games and a buzzwire from the science department, and signed up for a number of extra-curricular clubs.



Dates for your Diary

11th October 2018 – Post 16 Options Fair
11th October 2018 – Year 7 Meet the Tutor Evening
15th October 2018 – Open Week
18th October 2018 – Year 11 Parents' Evening
18th October 2018 – Careers Fair
22nd October 2018 – Academy Closes for Half Term
29th October 2018 – Academy Resumes



Macmillan Charity Cake Sale – Ms Braham

For the first time ever, we were delighted to be hosting and participating in 'The World's Biggest Coffee Morning', to raise money for the Macmillan charity- supporting those affected by cancer. Students from Years 10, 11, 12 and our International students, baked amazing treats that were sold to raise money for this incredible cause. There was a wide array of baked delights including Anzac biscuits, strawberry and coconut muffins, raspberry dusted meringues, chocolate cupcakes and lemon drizzle slices.

Not only did our students bake the treats but some also volunteered their time to selling them during their lunch break - so a special thank you to Darnell (Year 12), Lillie-Leigh, David and Shmir (Year 10) for donating their lunch break. A huge thank you to all the students and staff who baked, bought cakes, donated money and donated their time. I am so pleased that in just 25mins we managed to raise £121.60! What a success!





Thought for the Week

Sooner or later, if man is ever to be worthy of his destiny, we must fill our hearts with tolerance.
Stan Lee



Harvest Festival

On Wednesday 3rd October Year 7 students and staff visited St Barnabas Church to celebrate and learn about Harvest Festival.

The students in Year 7 and 8 worked hard to collect food and goods for Harvest Festival and these were gratefully received by Rev. Ian Tatum. All the donations will go to the ACE of Clubs, a charity in Clapham, which feeds and cares for the homeless of the borough. Rev Ian Tatum explained the origins of the Harvest Festival, why it is still celebrated today and how it helps the needy.

There were two superb musical interludes, Shay Sawyer singing 'Easy' and the whole of Year 7 and the selected Year 7 choir singing a moving rendition of 'One Love' by Bob Marley. There were also two inspiring Harvest related poetry readings from Summer-Rose DeLeslie (7NOR) and Jakub Jurgielewicz (7SMH).

Mr Davis led the students and staff in thanking Rev. Tatum for his hospitality and also the students for their delightful singing.



Year 10 Southfields V Ernest Bevin – Mr Philpott

Following on from the great result last time out for Southfields the Year 10 boys went into the game against Ernest Bevin full of confidence. In the early stages of the game this really showed with solid performances from a back line of Aironas Jurgilas, Silas Donkor, Kieran Toussaint and Kelvin Frimpong doing well to protect goalkeeper Jet Harris. In a close first half with very few chances, it was Faraz Jamil in centre midfield who was looking to create something out of nothing for Southfields.



Going into the second half Southfields knew that their performance would have to remain consistent in order to get anything out of the game. Early in the second half Ernest Bevin were able to establish themselves in the game and go 1-0 up through some lovely football that Southfields could do nothing about. This left Southfields facing the first defeat of the season. However, through the tireless work of man of the match Elvis Adibe Kwashie with an attitude of not giving up, really galvanised the rest of the Southfields team. Going into the last five minutes of the game Southfields were attacking constantly, looking to create that moment to make the game level and with 3 minutes to play, the ball fell to T'Shawn Whiteing who smashed one into the back of the net, thereby securing the draw and ensuring that the Year 10s great start to the season continues.

Sports Fixtures – Ms Davies

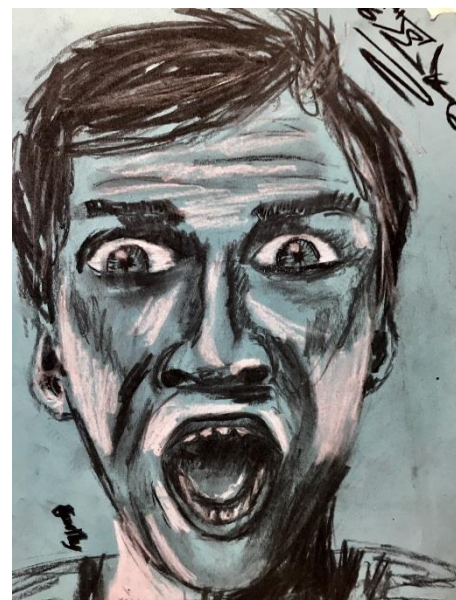
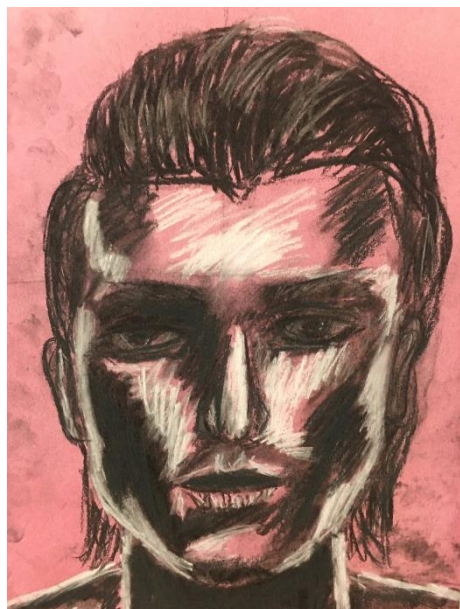
Date	Fixture	Location	Staff	Time
Monday 8th October	Year 8 Netball Tournament	Burntwood school	DAS/MYS	3 – 6 pm
Tuesday 16th October	Wandsworth Volleyball Festival B&G All Years	Ernest Bevin	DAS/MNO	3 – 6 pm



Year 12 Art Work – Mr Reis



Year 12 art work inspired by the work of the British contemporary artist Guy Denning.



Open Evening

The Academy held its annual Open Evening on Thursday 4th October. The Academy was buzzing with staff and students showcasing our wonderful facilities and talent to a large throng of parents and prospective students. Our students were informative, enthusiastic, polite and a credit to the Academy, showing off the best that we have to offer. We had a record number of parents / carers visiting and here are a few of the comments received:

"I like the school even more now, excellent tour guide, good presentation, very pleased."

"I genuinely loved it!"

"Love the building, good atmosphere, well behaved students and range of subjects."

"No need for improvement because the school is absolutely wonderful!"

"The sports facilities are excellent. The school is light, bright and displays inspiring. Loved the outside space!"

"That the school is open and the teachers are very friendly and helpful."

"The presentations inclusion of 2 students talking about their own experiences here was inspirational and there seemed to be real passion and fire in the Headteacher and Principal."

"Happy and creative is my overall impression."

"I would love for my son to get a placement here!"

Many thanks to all our student helpers, a job well done!